

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Appl. No.: 09/997,450  
Applicant: Shamim M. Malik  
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Examiner: Ryan J. Severson  
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Customer No.: 45159  
Title: A Modified Surface For An Implantable Device And A Method Of  
Producing The Same

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Mail Stop **Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 9, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.